



# Lake Park Villager

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## **CLERK'S CORNER**

Upcoming Lake Park town meetings:

**November 24**– 7:00 PM Parks and Rec Commission

**December 9** – 7:00 PM Village Council Meeting

**December 18** – 7:00 PM Economic Development  
Commission at Lucas Landscaping

**NOTE:** The Village offices will be closed for Thanksgiving  
on November 25 and 26

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### **LAKE PARK SAGES**

DECEMBER 4, 5:30 PM, DINNER AT JIMMIE'S IN MINT HILL

### **LAKE PARK SINGLES (AGES 45+)**

DECEMBER 4, 7:00 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

### **LAKE PARK HOA ANNUAL PROPERTY OWNER'S MEETING**

DECEMBER 4, 7:00 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

### **LAKE PARK CHRISTMAS HOME TOUR**

DECEMBER 7, 2:00 – 5:00 PM, TICKETS AT COMMUNITY CENTER ON THE  
DAY OF THE TOUR

### **LAKE PARK CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING**

DECEMBER 7, 6:00 PM, TOWN CENTER

### **LAKE PARK CARRIAGE RIDES**

DECEMBER 7, FOLLOWING TREE LIGHTING, TOWN CENTER

### **LAKE PARK GARDEN CLUB**

DECEMBER 15, 7:00 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

## **Chili Cook-off Winners**

On November 1, the Community Center was full of residents enjoying the annual Lake Park Cook-off. The following were the winning cooks:

- **First Place:** Ted Wasylak
- **Second Place:** Doyle Waybright
- **Third Place:** Tom Linderman

Congratulations to these winners and thanks to the Parks and Recreation Commission for hosting the event.

## **Council Discusses Parking**

### *Modification to the Parking Ordinance*

The Lake Park Village Council recently noted a potential issue with the wording of the Parking Ordinance. It stated that no car shall park on a road without leaving at least 16 feet of open roadway. However, that would mean that all parking on several roads within the village, including Mayhurst, Kenmore, and part of Trevor Simpson would be prohibited. After considering the clearance required for emergency vehicles, the Council voted to amend the ordinance to allow parking as long as there is at least 12 feet of clearance.

The rest of the parking ordinance remains intact as previously enacted. Other parking regulations in force include, but are not limited to, the following:

- No parking is allowed within 30 feet of an intersection or a stop sign.
- Parking is allowed in alleyways as long as there is 10 feet of clearance.
- No parking is allowed in or on the space between a sidewalk and a public street nor in the six feet of grass on the side of a street with no sidewalk.
- Parking is not allowed in the circular portion of any cul-de-sac.
- Parking is prohibited in any common area or park within the Village.

The ordinance also states that it shall be unlawful for any vehicle to be parked for the principle purpose of:

- Displaying it for sale
- Storage of any detached trailer or van when the towing unit has been disconnected.
- Parking of any tractor-trailer, commercial vehicle, or recreation type vehicle including

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## For Your Information

### Trash Cart Reminder

The Council would like to remind all residents to pull trash carts off the streets as soon as possible after the collection day on Thursday. One of the positive reasons for have municipal garbage collection is to have only one day a week where garbage receptacles are on our streets. Help keep Lake Park beautiful by keeping these carts off the streets between Friday and Wednesday.

### Village Park Hours

The Lake Park Public Parks Ordinance states that the hours of operation shall be set by the Parks and Recreation Commission. This group has enacted a policy that states that the parks will be closed between dusk and dawn. During these hours, no loitering is allowed in any park within the village.

### Current Water Restrictions

Union County is still under stage III water restrictions. These restrictions have been amended to allow car washing on the weekends. However, lawn irrigation is only allowed on Tuesdays in Lake Park. Further information can be found at the link on the “Who do I contact?” page on the village municipal web site, [www.lakeparknc.gov](http://www.lakeparknc.gov).

motor homes, boats, etc., for more than one hour on any given day.

The full text of the ordinance can be found in the “Reference Desk” section of the Village web site, [www.lakeparknc.gov](http://www.lakeparknc.gov). A paper version of all ordinances is available in the Village Offices in the Community Center.

## New Non-Emergency Number

*For Police, Fire or Medical*

Union County recently implemented a new non-emergency number. If you need non-time critical assistance, you can dial:

**704-289-1591**

This number will be answered the in the same way as 911 and will be logged in the 911 system, but will be prioritized differently. An advantage of using this number is that the operator will have more time to collect information. The 911 service, on the other hand, is set up to collect only enough information to dispatch the appropriate authority. Deputies Haywood and Tomberlin encourage all residents to use this new number for all non-emergency situations.

## Celebrate the Holidays

Lake Park is kicking off the holiday season in its traditional way on December 7<sup>th</sup>. The schedule of activities are:

- 2:00 – 5:00 Christmas Home Tour – The Garden Club will be selling tickets at the Community Center on the day of the tour. The club will also be serving refreshments as part of the tour at the Community Center.
- 6:00 – Christmas Tree Lighting – The Christmas tree at the town center will be lit by Lake Park's Hometown Heroes. Around 5:45, a choir from Lake Park UMC will present familiar carols prior to the tree lighting.
- After the tree lighting, the Lake Park HOA will be sponsoring old-fashioned, horse-drawn carriage rides around Russel Park.
- Throughout the entire holiday season you can enjoy the Christmas tree in the community Center decorated by the Garden Club.

## Stormwater Information

Union County provides information about stormwater management on their web site. You can find a link to that page on the “Our Local Government” page on the village's website, [www.lakeparknc.gov](http://www.lakeparknc.gov). It can be found on the right side under the section titled “Other Gov. Links”